

covering extending beyond said outer [panel] floor covering so as to present a border along the edge of said inner [panel] floor covering.

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2. [Amended]

A floor panel as claimed in claim 1 wherein said outer [panel] floor covering presents a decorative surface.

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3. [Amended]

A floor panel as claimed in claim 2 wherein said inner [panel] floor covering presents another decorative surface.

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4. [Amended]

A floor panel as claimed in claim 3 wherein said outer [panel] floor covering is comprised of high-pressure laminate.

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5. [Amended]

A floor panel as claimed in claim 4 wherein said inner [panel] floor covering is comprised of high-pressure laminate.

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6. [Amended]

A floor panel as claimed in claim 5 wherein both inner and outer [panels] floor coverings include a high wear film. 21

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7. [Amended]

A floor panel for an elevated floor comprising:

- (a) a rectangular base structure adapted to be supported at the corners thereof, said base structure providing a load bearing surface;
- (b) rectangular inner [panel] floor covering co-extensive with said rectangular base and adhesively secured thereto;
- (c) a separate rectangular outer [panel] floor covering secured to said inner [panel] floor covering, said inner [panel] floor covering extending beyond said outer [panel] floor covering so as to present a border along said peripheral edge of said inner [panel] floor covering.

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8. [Amended]

A floor panel as claimed in claim 7 wherein said inner [panel] floor covering presents a dark surface, and said outer [panel] floor covering presents a decorative surface.

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A floor panel as claimed in claim 8 wherein said outer [panel] floor covering presents a ^{(2v) 1v} outer clear resin film.

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A floor panel as claimed in claim 9 wherein said inner [panel] floor covering presents a clear resin film between said [first and second panels] inner and outer floor panels.

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12. [Amended]

A floor panel as claimed in claim 10 wherein said rectangular base structure is stamped from sheet steel.

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A method of producing a floor panel for an elevated floor comprising the steps of:

- (a) cutting a rectangular outer [panel] floor covering, said outer [panel] floor covering including a top wear surface, and an adhesive surface opposite said top wear surface;
- (b) applying an adhesive to said adhesive surface;
- (c) inserting said [top surface] outer floor covering into a framed jig adapted to receive and retain said outer [surface] floor covering in a desired position with said top wear surface inserted first into said jig;
- (d) cutting a rectangular inner [panel] floor covering, said inner [panel] floor covering extending beyond said outer [panel] floor covering so as to present a border along said peripheral edge of said inner [panel] floor covering relative said outer [panel] floor covering, said inner floor covering including a top and bottom surface;

- (e) applying an adhesive to [both] said top and bottom surfaces of said inner [panel] floor covering;
- (f) inserting said inner [panel] floor covering into a framed jig adapted to receive and retain said inner [panel] floor covering so as to contact and adhesively secure the inner [panel] floor covering to said adhesive surface of said outer floor covering and present a border along the peripheral edge of said inner [panel] floor covering;
- (g) applying an adhesive to a rectangular base structure;
- (h) inserting said base structure into said framed jig so as to secure said base structure to said inner [panel] floor covering so as to produce said floor panel;
- (i) removing said floor panel from said jig.

Agent for Applicant encloses herewith a clean copy of the claims as amended for entry.

Kindly note that the claims have been amended so as to focus on:

- 1. a **base structure**;
- 2. an **inner floor covering** and an **outer floor covering**;
- 3. a floor panel having a **base structure** and an inner floor covering adhesively secured to the base structure and an outer floor covering adhesively secured to the inner floor covering where the inner floor covering extends beyond the outer floor covering so as to present a border along the edge of the inner floor covering;
- 4. the inner floor covering and the outer floor covering are separate.